Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Pastor Harold Salem has served his congregations for 66 years with prayerful reflection and compassionate reverence; and,

Whereas, Pastor Salem served the First Baptist Church at Belle Fourche, South Dakota, for 14 years, and in 1958, began 52 years of service to the parishioners of First Baptist Church at Aberdeen, South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Pastor Salem earned his Doctor of Ministry degree from Northern Baptist Theological Seminary at Lombard, Illinois, in June 1983, at the age of 62; and,

Whereas, Pastor Salem served on the faculty of the Billy Graham Schools of Evangelism for 16 years, and has been a speaker for the Christian Worship Hour, a worldwide-telecast gospel ministry; and,

Whereas, On September 16, 2000, Pastor Salem was inducted into the South Dakota Hall of Fame, and was awarded honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from the University of Sioux Falls on May 25, 2003; and,

Whereas, Pastor Salem has given generously of his time and talent to serve on a variety of local boards, and has held 64 evangelistic meetings in the United States, as well as preaching in London, England; Damascus, Syria; Mafraq and Amman, Jordan; and Kfar-Miscki and Beirut, Lebanon; and,

Whereas, Pastor Salem and his wife of 59 years, Beulah, have been blessed with four children, Sharron, Daniel, Patty, and Michael who also know and serve the Lord; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to recognize the commitment and accomplishments of Pastor Harold Salem as he retires from his local pulpit, and will be honored for his service on August 29, 2010:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim August 29, 2010, as

PASTOR HAROLD SALEM DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Nineteenth Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

M. Michael Rounds

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State